

CEQA # 9855

**State of California
Department of Parks and Recreation
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION**

TO: Office of Planning and Research
1400 Tenth Street
Sacramento, CA 95814

FROM: Department of Parks and Recreation
303 Big Tree park Road
Santa Cruz, CA 95060

PROJECT TITLE: Water Well Rehab and Tank Installation

COUNTY: Santa Cruz

PROJECT LOCATION: New Horizons Environmental Camp

PARK UNIT: Big Basin Redwoods State Park

DESCRIPTION OF THE NATURE AND PURPOSE OF PROJECT:

Rehabilitate and maintain the existing water well system at the New Horizons Environmental Camp in Big Basin Redwoods State Park to improve and upgrade water quality and comply with County Health Regulations. Work will raise current well shaft 18 inches above the ground, remove 40 feet of sediment from bottom of the well, and will apply 16 inches of new concrete to encase and level concrete pad. Install a new 5,000 gallon water tank and install ozonators on two existing water tanks. Improve existing electrical system and replace a +/- 75 foot section of water main.

PUBLIC AGENCY APPROVING THE PROJECT: California Department of Parks and Recreation

NAME OF DIVISION OR DISTRICT CARRYING OUT THE PROJECT: Santa Cruz District

EXEMPT STATUS:

X Categorical Exemption

Class:3 & 4

Section: 15303 & 15304

REASONS WHY PROJECT IS EXEMPT:

Project consists of construction and location of new small structures included as "installation of above ground water tanks" in the Department of Parks and Recreation's list of exempt activities in accordance with CCR Section 15300.4, and consists of the minor alteration in the condition of land, water, and vegetation which do not involve the removal of healthy, mature, scenic trees.

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